

Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, undated, with transcript

Letter from Mrs. Alexander Graham Bell to Dr. Alexander Graham Bell. 1331 Connecticut Avenue. My darling Alec:

I have got to go and keep an appointment with Dr. Wilmer as my eyes are not quite right again.

I have told Charles to bring up your usual breakfast including the sugar for coffee and oatmeal. If you will take it of course I cannot help it, but it hurts me very much to have you take it. You may be all right and the doctor all wrong, but when you know that it frightens me to have you take it why is it necessary that you should?

Won't you give up the sugar not because the doctor says so, but because it is something you can do for your little wife who if she is sometimes unreasonable and fussy loves you with all her heart and is made terribly unhappy by seeing you do things she thinks are bad for you. I give you the sugar, but please don't take it because you care more to please me than just to do what you think you can do without harm.

Your loving, Mabel.